

Health Certificate No. \_\_\_\_\_  
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"Please contact NCIE to obtain the bilingual health certificate for bovine embryo exports to the Czech Republic."

April 1997

Import conditions to issue the veterinary health certificate  
for the importation of bovine embryos from the USA  
to the Czech Republic

Exporting country: U.S.A

Ministry of: USDA,APHIS

Competent issuing authority: Veterinary Services

Region, district, etc. State

#### I. Origin

Consignor name and address:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Name and address of approved embryo collection or production team:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Registered number of embryo collection or embryo production team:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Notes:

- a) A separate certificate must be issued for each consignment of embryos.
- b) The original of this certificate must accompany the consignment to the place of destination.

#### II. Destination

Place of destination \_\_\_\_\_

Consignee name and address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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Place and date of dispatch \_\_\_\_\_

Nature and identification of transport means \_\_\_\_\_

### III. Identification of consignment

Embryos	a) derived by in vitro fertilization	yes/no	*
	b) subjected to penetration of zona pellucida	yes/no	*

Donor female	Donor sire	Breed	Date of collection	No. of embryos
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

i) Total number of embryos in consignment \_\_\_\_\_

ii) Marks/Serial number of shipping container \_\_\_\_\_

iii) Serial number of tamperproof seal \_\_\_\_\_

### IV. Health Information

I, the undersigned Official Veterinarian, certify that:

1. The embryo collection or production team identified in Section I of this certificate:

a) is approved in accordance with Chapter 1 of Annex A of Council Directive 89/556/EEC

b) carried out the collection, processing or production, storage and transport of the embryos described above in accordance with Chapter II of Annex A to Council Directive 89/556/EEC

c) is subjected at least twice per year to inspection by an official veterinarian.

2. According to official findings, the exporting area (region):

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- has been free from rinderpest, foot and mouth disease, bluetongue and epizootic haemorrhagic disease during the twelve (12) months immediately prior to collection of the embryos to be exported and does not practice vaccination against them.

3. a) The premises on which the embryos, or the oocytes, or other tissues used in the production of embryos to be exported were collected and processed was, at the time of collection, situated in the center of an area of 20 km in diameter in which according to official findings there had been no outbreak of foot and mouth disease, bluetongue, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, vesicular stomatitis, Rift Valley Fever and contagious bovine pleuropneumonia for the thirty (30) days immediately prior to collection.
- b) Between the time of collection or production of the embryos to be exported and their dispatch, they were stored continuously in approved premises which were situated in the center of an area of 20 km in diameter in which, according to official findings, there was no outbreak of foot and mouth disease, vesicular stomatitis or Rift Valley Fever.

4. The donor females and the donors of ovaries, oocytes, or other tissues used in production of embryos:

a) during the thirty (30) days immediately prior to collection of the embryos to be exported, were located on premises situated in the center of an area of 20 km in diameter in country of origin in which, according to official findings, there was no incidence of foot and mouth disease, bluetongue, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, vesicular stomatitis, Rift Valley Fever or contagious bovine pleuropneumonia.

b) showed no clinical sign of disease on the day of collection

c) have spent the six (6) months immediately prior to collection in the U.S.A. in herds which are:

- according to official findings, free from tuberculosis

- according to official findings, free from brucellosis

- free from enzootic bovine leucosis or a herd or herds which has/have shown no clinical signs of enzootic bovine leucosis during the previous three (3) years

- a herd or herds which has/have shown no clinical sign of infectious bovine rhinotracheitis/infectious pustular vulvo-vaginitis during the previous (12) months.

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5. The embryos to be exported were conceived as a result of artificial insemination or in vitro fertilization with semen from a donor sire standing at a semen collection center approved by veterinary authorities of exporting country for the collection, processing and storage of semen.

6. The donors (females and sires) are regularly examined for clinical signs of BSE with negative results. The embryos comply with requirements laid down in Commission Decision 92/290/EEC.

VI. This certificate is valid for 10 days from the date of loading.

Done at: \_\_\_\_\_

On: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of team veterinarian responsible for  
approved embryo collection team (printed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

Stamp

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of official veterinarian  
(printed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of USDA accredited issuing  
Veterinarian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of USDA accredited issuing  
Veterinarian

VII. The donors (female and sires) were tested with negative results for BLAD, RS 1/29 or other genetic disorders specific for the breed which the embryos are exported from. See attached results.

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of official breeder authority (printed)

\* Delete whichever is not applicable.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

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(SLOVAK REPUBLIC)**

The certificate which warrants the below mentioned requirements, must accompany in its original issue the consignment up to the very place of destination. The certificate is issued for each biological container originating from the same place of quarantine and shipped to the same consignee. The certificate must be completed on the date of loading.

Certificate will contain:

Country of origin \_\_\_\_\_ USA \_\_\_\_\_

Ministry \_\_\_\_\_ USDA \_\_\_\_\_

Competent veterinary authority of the country \_\_\_\_\_ APHIS \_\_\_\_\_

Local competent veterinary authority \_\_\_\_\_ Veterinary Services (State) \_\_\_\_\_

Place of loading \_\_\_\_\_

Means of transport \_\_\_\_\_

Name and address of consignee \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Place and country of consignee \_\_\_\_\_

**DATA ON THE CONSIGNMENT OF EMBRYOS**

Registration number of the collection team \_\_\_\_\_

Name and address of the leader of the collection team \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Container No. \_\_\_\_\_

Number of the embryos \_\_\_\_\_

Breed \_\_\_\_\_

Date of collection \_\_\_\_\_

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## HEALTH REPORT

I, the undersigned official veterinarian, hereby certify, that:

1. The donor originates from the country which has during the past 12 months been free from foot-and-mouth disease, rinderpest, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, bluetongue and the animals have not been vaccinated against any of these diseases, NOTE: In the case of bluetongue and epizootic hemorrhagic disease, the embryos may originate from animals which are kept in a low incidence state in the case of bluetongue and the north/northeast part of the U.S. in the case of epizootic hemorrhagic disease.
2. The collection centers, on which the embryos to be exported were collected and processed were situated in the center of an area of 20 km in diameter in which according to official findings there had been no incidence of foot-and-mouth disease, bluetongue, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, contagious vesicular stomatitis, Rift Valley fever and contagious bovine pleuropneumonia for 30 days prior to collection and for 30 days after collection,
3. The embryos to be exported were conceived as a result of artificial insemination or in vitro fertilization with semen from a donor sire standing at a semen collection center approved by the competent authority for the collection, processing and storage of semen or with semen imported from the European Community.
4. The embryos have been stored in approved conditions for a minimum period of 30 days immediately after collection.
5. Donors
  - during the 30 days immediately prior to collection of the embryos to be exported, were located in premises situated in the center of an area of 20 km in diameter in which according to official findings there was no incidence of foot-and-mouth disease, bluetongue, epizootic haemorrhagic disease, contagious vesicular stomatitis, Rift Valley fever or contagious bovine pleuropneumonia.
  - were subjected with negative results to an agar gel immunodiffusion test or serum neutralization test for epizootic haemorrhagic disease antibodies on a blood sample taken not less than 21 days after collection on \_\_\_\_\_
  - showed no clinical sign of disease on the day of collection

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- have spent the six months immediately prior to collection in the territory of USA  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(name of exporting country)

- in a maximum of two herds which are according to official findings free from tuberculosis, brucellosis, enzootic bovine leucosis during the previous three years, have shown no clinical sign of infectious bovine rhinotracheitis/infectious pustular vulvovaginitis during the previous 12 months

6. the embryo collection/production team

- is approved in accordance with Chapter I of Annex A to Directive 89/556/EEC
- carried out the collection, processing or production and storing and transport of the embryos described above in accordance with Chapter II of Annex A to Directive 89/556/EEC.
- is subjected at least twice per year to inspection by an official veterinarian.

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Done at \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of the official veterinarian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of the issuing USDA accredited Veterinarian

Seal

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of the official veterinarian, title and qualification  
(Name in capital letters or typed)

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2. According to official findings, the exporting area (region):

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- b) Between the time of collection or production of the embryos to be exported and their dispatch, they were stored continuously in approved premises which were situated in the center of an area of 20 km in diameter in which, according to official findings, there was no outbreak of foot and mouth disease, vesicular stomatitis or Rift Valley Fever.

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b) showed no clinical sign of disease on the day of collection  
c) have spent the six (6) months immediately prior to collection on the EU territory and 1 month on the territory of exporting country in herds which are:

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- according to official findings, free from brucellosis
- free from enzootic bovine leucosis or a herd or herds which has/have shown no clinical signs of enzootic bovine leucosis during the previous three (3) years
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\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of official breeder authority  
(printed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

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\*In lieu of test results, a certification statement from the official breed association (Holstein, for example) stating that the donors are not recorded as carriers of any defined undesirable recessive traits is acceptable. The official from the breed association making this attestation must print and sign as the "official breeder authority" as requested.

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Signature of the issuing USDA accredited  
Veterinarian

Seal

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of the official veterinarian, title and  
qualification (name in capital letters or typed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of the issuing USDA accredited veterinarian  
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